(vi) Replacement of old X-Ray machines and installation of new colour X-Ray machines wherever necessary so as to ensure that atleast two X-ray machines are available at every point; and

(vii) Modernisation and upgradation of security related technological set up of the airports is being done in a phased manner.

Involvement of Air Travel Agents in Hijacking

448. SHRI SHIBU SOREN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of air travel agents have be«fn foujid involved in the recent case of hijacking and abduction of Indian AirHnes aircraft;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the names of those travel agencies;

(c) whether any further inquiry regarding their business with Indian Airlines and Air India is being carried out;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV): (a) to (e) Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) is conducting an investigation into the criminal case registered against the hijacking. The investigation is yet to be completed.

Expansion of Air Services in Punjab

449. SHRI LAJPAT RAI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to connect more cities of Punjab with airways;

(b) if so, the steps being taken by Government in this regard;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor;